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#02 Staff of Destruction

THREE THOUSAND TROOPS!?
THEY'RE FINALLY INVADING QUATRE!?
DID HE SAY ZEPHIL!?
IS THAT TRUE!?
LORD SHIROGANE, JUST WHAT'S GOING ON!?
BUT HE TOOK THE CROWN, DIDN'T HE!?
WHAT NOW!?
WE CAN'T FIGHT THEM WITH AN IMPOSTER AS OUR KING!!
HUH?
OH MY GOD
WHY
DID HE REVEAL THAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS!?
THE PELT AND I BOTH FORBID IT,
BUT HE SAID
WE HAD TO ANNOUNCE THAT ZOE IS STILL THIS COUNTRY'S KING.

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SO HIS AIDE AND THE PALACE KNEW!?
DO YOU INTEND ON HELPING HIS COUP AND DESTROYING THIS COUNTRY!?
I guess I did
Stock
BEING INVADED WITHOUT OUR KING... WE'RE DONE FOR!
Khanh
TRULY.
RESIGN YOURSELF TO——
POUNDING
GAH!
WHAT WILL YOU DO, KING QUATREDINA!?
QUATRE DOESN'T HAVE AN ARMY, RIGHT!?
.....
Who do you think I am?
SURELY YOU'LL SECURE THE SAFETY OF YOUR GUESTS!?
RAH!
Rah
HEY
Wait
SO
ZEPHIL HAS THREE THOUSAND TROOPS!!
DO YOU INTEND TO FIGHT BACK WITH JUST THE IMPERIAL GUARDS!?
...DAMN YOU,
HOW ARE YOU SHED THE BLOOD OF A NOBLE-AN SUCH AS I...
RAHH!

BANG
AHH!
EEK?
BANG
BANG
That idiot
—GEEZ,
QUIT YAMMERING.
COOL IT, YOU FOREIGNERS
HUFF

WHERE IS THE CURRENT KING, LORD ZOE!?
THEN WHY WOULD YOU DO THIS?
WHIRL
WELL... THAT'S TRUE.
YOU GUYS CALM DOWN TOO
IF HE WAS PLANNING A COUP, HE WOULD'VE TAKEN THE THRONE WITHOUT SAYING A WORD.
SIX MONTHS AGO—
HE WAS ATTACKED AND IS NOW MISSING.
I SENSE HE'S ALIVE, BUT AS FOR WHERE HE IS, WELL ..
WE'RE TRYING EVERY-THING TO FIND HIM...
LEAVING THIS COUNTRY WITHOUT A KING IS A MATTER OF NATIONAL SECURITY.
THUS WE UNWILLINGLY INSTALLED A PROXY KING.

SWORD
TRUTHFULLY, WE MEANT TO CONTINUE IN SECRECY, BUT ——
WE HAD TO TELL EVERYONE
THAT KNOCKING OFF ZOE IS POINTLESS.
IF YOU WANT THIS COUNTRY,
FIRST YOU'VE GOTTA OFF ME.
THIS MAN HAS
ONCE MORE
MADE HIMSELF
THE TARGET.

YOU'RE ACTING LIKE IT WORKED!!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN PROTECT THIS COUNTRY
THEN,
If I show you I can protect us, you'll accept me?
Rustle
SINCE YOU'RE SAYING YOU WON'T OBEY ME BECAUSE I'M NOT THE TRUE KING.
IT'S PERFECT, ISN'T IT?
KING!?
...YOU'RE SAYING YOU CAN DO IT!?
THE KING THAT LORD SHIROGANE SELECTS..
...IT IS NOT FOR US TO REFUTE

BUT IN ORDER FOR THERE TO BE PEACE IN THIS COUNTRY,
UNTIL THE DAY THE LATE KING —— NO, THE CURRENT KING —— RETURNS,
WE NEED PROOF OF THE KING,
PROXY KING OR NOT.
RUSH!
WE WOULD HAVE YOU PROTECT THIS COUNTRY.
CLICK
—THEN WE HAVE A DEAL.

PERFECT. NOW I'LL FACE
YOU —
FWIP
FWIP
Yeah
HUH?
WHERE'D THAT BLOND KID GO?
WHO'S THE VAGRANT!?
Don't point at me!
Blustered
HEY, WHO'S THAT? A VAGRANT GOT IN.
He's all dirty
AT LEAST REMEMBER THE FACE OF THE OPPONENT YOU'RE SEARCHING FOR!!
RAWR
NO? THEN SOME HOOLIGAN?
D...
Don't mess with me, you bastards...
TEARED

NO!!
I AM THE COMMANDER OF THE FIFTH BRIGADE OF THE HOLY ZEPHIL EMPIRE, VICTOR ——
ME!
How ignoble.
RIGHT RIGHT.
VIC THE ERRAND BOY.
HEY!!
FWIP
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN IGNORE ME!?
IS THE KING'S AUTHENTICITY MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOUR COUNTRY!?
THREE THOUSAND TROOPS ARE SURROUND-ING YOUR CASTLE!!
If the king is the real deal, then not even one million troops would matter.

"Do not roust Lord Shirogane"
THAT'S RIGHT, LORD SHIROGANE IS HERE.
HE'S THE UNDENIABLE SYMBOL.
.....
THE KING HE CHOSE IS HERE
AS LONG AS WE HAVE THOSE TWO—
Ha!
"THE CASTLE AND COUNTRY WON'T FALL", YOU MEAN?
THAT
IS JUST A MOLDY OLD FAIRY TALE.
HOW EXACTLY DO YOU PLAN ON STOPPING AN ARMY THREE THOUSAND STRONG WITH ONE PELT?

JUST THREE THOUSAND. WE'VE BEEN UNDER-ESTIMATED AGAIN.
WHY DOES THIS GUY CHOOSE THE KING?
WHY DOES THIS COUNTRY STAND NEUTRAL, WITHOUT AN ARMY?
IF YOU WANT TO KNOW —
CLICK
GLA
I'll show you.
GK

YOUR MAJESTY!
WHERE ARE YOU—
STOP.
YOU STAY THERE, ON STANDBY.
POP
CALM DOWN.
STAY THERE. I'LL NEED YOU LATER.
YOUR MAJ...?
BUT, YOUR MAJESTY!!

Ignores.
Oh my, how formal! Call me Iset ♡
Flinch
THIS IS RECKLESS!
HE'S—
Tap
LADY PALACE!!
WHAT ARE YOU PANICKING FOR? YOU CAN WATCH HIM.
Hesitate
Meet Gaze
.....
Turn Away

You can't do it, can you?
YUP. FIGURES.
SHOW SOME BACKBONE IN FRONT OF THE ENEMY!!
Whoa, we're high up...
tap tap
ISEL!
THAT'S RIGHT, HE'S STILL AFRAID OF HEIGHTS.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S AN IDIOT.
THIS IS RECKLESS. IT WILL REPEL ZEPHIL FOR SURE, BUT—
I KNOW.
BUT PROXY OR NOT, HE IS OUR KING. DO YOU KNOW ANOTHER WAY?
SO,
WHAT'S HE GOING TO DO?
DON'T ...
TAKE ME LIGHTLY...

FW
As King Quatredina,
I entreat you, Lord Shirogane.
Right here, right now, show us the power that protects this country.
—THAT IDIOT!

FWOOSH
...WHAT IS THIS?
I DON'T KNOW, BUT—
LORD EDINBURGH HASN'T GIVEN US THE SIGNAL, SO DON'T MAKE A MOVE.
オオオオ

WOO
LORD SHIROGANE FENRIR HAS A SECOND NAME: VANARGAND, THE STAFF OF DESTRUCTION.
THE STAFF HAS PROTECTED THIS COUNTRY, AND HOLDS WITHIN IT ENORMOUS POWER EQUAL TO ONE MILLION SOLDIERS.
THROUGHOUT THE GENERATIONS, THE ONE ABLE TO WIELD IT HAS BEEN NAMED KING.
—— THAT'S WHY A COUP IS *IMPOSSIBLE*.
IF SOMEONE UNQUALIFIED TO BE KING CALLS UPON THIS POWER, IT JUST CONSUMES HIS LIFE.
!

WHAT... DID YOU SAY...?
YES
HE ISN'T KING.
He's gambling with his life.
HE'LL BE FINE.
IT WAS FENRIR WHO CHOSE HIM AS THE PROXY KING, AFTER ALL.
BUT ISEL, IT'S THAT "STAFF"! IT'LL —
THAT STAFF IS OUR FINAL TRUMP CARD TO PROTECT THE COUNTRY. THE ONLY KING WHO CAN USE IT RIGHT NOW
IS HIM... IF HE DOESN'T FIRE IT —
What's that?
Lord Surtegine
ZOE ISN'T AN OPTION. GUATREDINA WILL BE WIPED OFF THE MAP.

WHOOSH
EITHER WAY, THERE'S NO STOPPING IT NOW. IT'S UP TO THE GODS —
I WON'T PRAY TO THEM.
HE SAID HE WOULD PROTECT THIS COUNTRY.
HE SWORE HE'D PROTECT US UNTIL THE DAY THAT KING ZOE RETURNS.
...HM.
CLANG
SO WE'LL BE FINE.

—GHG!
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
Lowest charge. Shall I?
DON'T... BE AN IDIOT...
IF YOU'RE GONNA... DO IT... DO IT BIG...
You're the idiot.
There's no point in risking your life just to impress that errand boy
Splat-ter
YOU'VE GOT ME THERE...
YOUR MAJESTY !!
BOOM

Wobble..
... WHAT... IS THIS...?
IT'S CLEAR SKIES TODAY.
YOU CAN SEE I HELD OFF ON GOING FULL MASSACRE.
tap
QUATRE LOATHES SHEDDING BLOOD. IT'S WHY WE'RE NEUTRAL.
YOUR MAJESTY!
RU...M
OH, WHAT'S THAT?
AN EARTH-QUAKE?
NO, IT'S COMING FROM THE CASTLE.
TODAY'S THE CORONATION CEREMONY. MAYBE THEY'RE SETTING OFF FIREWORKS OR SOMETHING?
AHAHA, YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT.
CLINK
GHG!
JUST WHAT HAPPENED!?
... WHAT !?
THERE WAS A DAZZLING LIGHT—

GHG...
THEN YOU WON'T MIND IF WE TAKE THAT AS A DECLARATION OF WAR.
I DO MIND. NOW SCAT, YOU WEASEL.
RETURN HOME AND TELL YOUR MASTER
THAT IF THAT BASTARD'S GOT BUSINESS HERE, HE SHOULD COME HIMSELF
DAMN YOU, DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY—
Retreat...
ZOOM
NO AMOUNT OF APOLOGIES WILL MAKE UP FOR THIS!!
Slide
Slide
Slide
Slide
He doesn't disappoint with the parting threats
He can really run
WHOA.

Whoa
HE DID IT!!
WAY TO GO, LORD SHIRO-GANE!!
WAY TO GO, YOUR MAJESTY!!
Yay
Yay
Yay
Bob
tweak
My my
PDP
Seems—
WE'RE DONE HERE.
Yay
THAT TURNED THE TABLES ON ZEPHIL!
THAT'S LORD SHIROGANE FOR YOU!
Yay

aay!
YOUR MAJESTY,
ARE YOU WELL—

...YOUR MAJESTY !!
RIGHT EYE!?
KING !?

ARE YOU OK? KING!?
YOUR MAJESTY !!
HANG IN THERE!
YOUR MAJESTY !!
YOUR MAJESTY !!
YOUR MAJESTY !!